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Subject: OBJECTION to planning application ref.: P/1/21/PL - proposed material change of use of land from agricultural use to use for open space. - land at Summer Lane, Pagham

Dear Sirs,

I write in respect of the recently lodged planning application, and without wishing to lend credence or legitimacy to what appears an otherwise frivolous almost vexatious submission, wish for you to record my strong objection against it.

Part of the land in question - which is owned by my client: Messrs. Pagham Homes Ltd. - already benefits from a lawful grant of outline planning permission, and we will soon be submitting a reserved matters scheme for it: we are 100% committed to the delivery of both open market and much needed affordable housing.

The submission, as made, has next to no chance of implementation, primarily because the applicant has virtually no land ownership interest in it, and we have absolutely no intention of delivering what is set out in the application on our land. We cannot understand why the application has even been made; we do fully acknowledge that anyone can apply for anything, and upon any land parcel - providing, of course, that the correct process is followed - but, to what end this application has been made is really quite beyond us.

As already stated by the council, this scheme runs contrary to the development plan, and the very 'principle' of such is, therefore, without support or foundation: indeed, the very notion of lawful housing being put aside - in the time of a National housing crisis - to facilitate undeliverable open space, is entirely without foundation, and would only make other land parcels within Arun district at greater risk of hostile planning applications.

To that end, we would respectfully suggest that the scheme be determined, in short order, and that it be refused as it conflicts with the development plan, it seeks to frustrate the delivery of lawfully approved housing, and it is a scheme that is nigh-on incapable of implementation.

In Summary, please record our firm objection to this application, and please also be aware that if - as alluded to - the scheme should end up at appeal, we will readily contest it with full vigour.

Yours faithfully,

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